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AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING FUEL CELL SEPARATOR

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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.55 and in conformance with the procedures of 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, applicants hereby bring the attached Japanese patent application publications to the attention of the examiner. These documents, both relating to carbon nanofiber, are identified and discussed on page 9 of the specification. They are listed on the attached modified PTO Form No. 1449. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that they be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

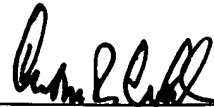
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